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Before:

Honolulu City Council
Committee on Transportation
The Honorable Joey Manahan, Chair
The Honorable Ann H. Kobayashi, Vice Chair

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Bill 8 (2016)

RELATING TO COMPLETE STREETS

Chair Manahan and committee members, thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony on Bill 8 (2016) amending ROH Sec. 14-33.3 related to the administration of the Complete Streets program.

Kaiser Permanente Hawaii supports the complete streets program but we have some concerns about this bill and as such cannot support it.

We are concerned that the proposed city council approval process added to the current collaborative process by the city departments will delay the on-going implementation of the wide array of upgrades complete streets provides for Honolulu residents.

We recognize and appreciate the special efforts of city councilmembers to address the many and varied concerns of road users. The roads and the adjacent areas belong to all of us and not to just one kind of user. We urge the council to continue their discussion to see if there may be a better way of sharing information and seeking input that will not create the kind of delay this bill may cause.

Thank you for your consideration.

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